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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
Hajime SAKATA, et al.	)	Examiner: Jean F. Duverne
Appln. No.: 09/626,740 ✓	)	Group Art Unit: 2839
Filed: July 26, 2000	)	Confirmation No.: 9371
For: OPTICAL WAVEGUIDE, METHOD	)	August 19, 2004
OF FABRICATING THE	)	
WAVEGUIDE, AND OPTICAL	)	
INTERCONNECTION DEVICE	)	
USING THE WAVEGUIDE	)	

**Mail Stop Issue Fee**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

STATUS INQUIRY

Sir:

Applicants are in receipt of a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due, form PTOL-85, dated July 29, 2004, with an attached Notice of Allowability in the above-identified application. The Issue Fee is due to be paid by October 29, 2004, and has not yet been paid.

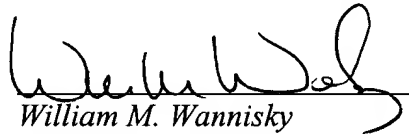
The Notice of Allowability indicates that a certified copy of the priority document has not been received. A certified copy of the priority document was filed with a Claim to Priority on November 2, 2000, in the application.

Applicants respectfully request acknowledgment of the receipt of the certified copy of the priority document.

Favorable consideration hereof is earnestly solicited.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our New York office at the below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Wannisky', is written over a horizontal line.

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